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There were 3.3 days suitable for fieldwork last week. Soil moisture was rated 3 percent short, 59 percent adequate and 38 percent surplus. Pasture was rated 87 percent of normal. The main farm activities were weed and insect control and working on farm equipment. The watermelon harvest is well underway, and the crop progress will be available in next week's release.

Crop Progress In Percentages					Crop Conditions in Percentages				
Crop	Event	1994	1993	5-Yr Avg	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	Silke	95	44	61					
	Dough	56	12	21			6	55	39
	Dent	6	0	2					
Cotton	Squaring	95	76	76			15	55	30
	Setting Bolls	34	9	16					
Rice	Heading	7	0	6			28	46	26
Sorghum	Heading	56	12	21				88	12
Soybeans	Emerged	96	78	76		8	35	30	27
	Blooming	28	2	5					
Wheat	Harvested	98	85	92	2	11	4	26	57
Hay	Harvested	56	57	50					
Peaches	Harvested	60	49	60					
Sweetpotatoes	Planted	94	93	93			2	98	
Pecans						21	42	26	11
Watermelons							36	63	1
Livestock							7	83	10

County Agent Comments

"Tippah County received a lot of damage from tornados Sunday night (June 26th). Damage included wind damage as well as flood damage. It will be several weeks before a dollar value can be put on the damage."

— Ricky D. Ferguson, Tippah County

"Humphreys County farmers are off to a better start this year as compared to previous years. The rain we got this week was definitely needed."

— Eddie B. Harris, Humphreys County

"Some areas have received excessive rain, others not enough. Cotton insects are light at present."

— Ernest H. Flint, Attala County

"Weekly rains have caused buckeye rot disease to appear on tomatoes. Also, fungus diseases are apparent on other vegetable crops."

— Roger D. Jones, Perry County

"We had a big rain. Reports ranged from 2" - 7" in 1 1/2 hours. Some crop damage in areas. We need some sunshine now!"

— Bill Maily, Hinds County

"Hail damage and fields completely covered by water has put a great deal of stress on crops. We need a couple of weeks of sunshine."

— Gale Chrestman, Pontotoc County

"With all the recent rains some cotton and soybeans are too wet to go in and control weeds. Most of the cotton insecticides are being put out with airplanes because of the fields being so wet."

— Otis L. Davis, Madison County

Weather Summary From 06/26/94 to 07/02/94 For Mississippi

District/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				4 Inch Soil Temperature			Ave Pan Evap
	Max	Min	Ave	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks	Max	Min	Ave	
1. Upper Delta													
Tunica	92	69	81	80	.9	.63	-.21	2	8.37	M	80	M	M
Clarksdale	92	71	82	81	.7	2.43	1.45	2	7.33	94	73	83	.28
Cleveland	94	69	82	81	1.1	1.58	.59	3	6.86				
Extreme/Average	94	69	82	81	.9	1.55	.61	2	7.52	94	73	83	.28
2. North-Central													
Memphis	95	72	84	82	2.1	.46	-.38	4	4.95				
Holly Springs	89	63	78	77	1.2	3.07	2.15	4	11.35	93	75	83	.19
Oxford	92	64	79	78	1.4	4.04	3.21	6	13.91				
Extreme/Average	95	63	80	79	1.6	2.52	1.66	5	10.07	93	75	83	.19
3. Northeast													
Corinth	92	64	79	79	.9	1.09	.28	3	5.09				
Iuka	87	58	75	78	-2.9	1.57	.72	3	8.24				
Booneville	88	55	77	78	-.6	.87	.02	3	6.97				
Pontotoc	89	62	78	78	-.3	7.29	6.30	6	11.53	92	73	82	M
Tupelo	89	65	79	79	-.6	2.84	1.94	5	6.41				
Verona	90	65	79	79	-.9	4.53	3.73	6	9.36	86	70	78	.23
Extreme/Average	92	58	78	79	-.7	3.05	2.16	4	7.93	92	70	80	.23
4. Lower Delta													
Stoneville	95	71	84	81	2.9	.62	-.29	2	1.99	93	74	84	.28
Greenwood	94	67	83	81	2.4	1.77	.79	2	5.16				
Belzoni	96	69	83	81	1.7	1.90	.92	1	4.33	100	82	89	
Rolling Fork	94	67	81	80	.6	2.76	1.78	1	5.60	100	83	91	.21
Yazoo City	93	68	82	81	.2	1.66	.77	2	4.48				
Extreme/Average	95	67	83	81	1.6	1.74	.79	2	4.31	100	74	88	.24
5. Central													
Winona	89	62	78	77	.6	.53	-.43	1	3.95				
Carthage	94	64	80	80	.7	.08	-.84	1	1.76				
Jackson	92	66	81	81	.2	.89	.07	1	6.62				
Extreme/Average	94	62	80	79	.5	.50	-.40	1	4.11				
6. East-Central													
State University	91	65	79	80	-.3	3.07	2.07	3	6.09	85	72	78	.21
Columbus	90	64	79	80	-.9	1.60	.64	3	10.47				
Brooksville	96	67	82	80	2.3	2.23	1.36	2	7.85				
Extreme/Average	96	64	80	80	.4	2.30	1.36	3	8.14	86	72	78	.21
7. Southwest													
Vicksburg	91	69	81	80	1.1	.99	.19	1	6.89				
Oakley	92	66	81	80	1.0	2.36	1.38	2	11.79	96	76	84	
Crystal Springs	93	67	81	78	2.1	.83	-.14	1	7.75	92	75	83	
Alcorn				80		M	M	M	M				
Natchez	92	69	83	81	2.1	.00	-.98	0	5.13				
Extreme/Average	93	66	82	80	1.6	1.04	.11	1	7.89	96	75	84	
8. South-Central													
McComb	93	65	81	80	1.3	.28	-.80	2	5.74				
Columbia	93	67	82	81	1.0	.03	-1.01	1	6.11				
Extreme/Average	93	65	82	81	1.2	.16	-.90	2	5.92				
9. Southeast													
Newton	95	62	80	79	1.2	.15	-.74	2	3.01	92	70	80	.23
Meridian	97	65	82	80	2.4	1.92	.92	4	7.18				
Laurel	92	66	80	80	.3	.75	-.21	2	3.27				
Hattiesburg	94	68	81	80	.6	.23	-.82	1	4.00				
Beaumont	95	63	80	80	-.2	1.88	.71	2	5.74	97	74	85	
Extreme/Average	97	62	81	80	.9	.99	-.03	2	4.64	97	70	83	.23
10. Coastal													
Poplarville	94	66	81	81	.4	.10	-1.08	1	5.04	100	76	85	.22
Bay St. Louis	95	66	82	80	1.2	.12	-1.10	1	4.31				
Gulfport	91	69	82	82	.4	.00	-1.09	0	7.05				
Biloxi	91	71	84	82	1.8	.01	-1.27	1	8.76				
Pascagoula	89	69	81	82	-.8	.00	-1.31	0	5.86				
Extreme/Average	95	66	82	81	.6	.05	-1.17	1	6.20	100	76	85	.22
State Averages			81	80	.7	1.47	.49		6.57			83	.23

State Extremes			Location		Date	
Greatest one day precipitation	3.65		Pontotoc		06/27/94	
Greatest weekly precipitation	7.29		Pontotoc			
Maximum air temperature	97		Meridian		6/28/94	
Minimum air temperature	58		Iuka		06/26/94	
Maximum soil temperature	100		Belzoni		7/1/94	
Minimum soil temperature	70		Newton		06/30/94	
Greatest one day pan evaporation	.38		Verona		6/29/94	
Greatest weekly pan evaporation	.28		Clarksdale			

Abbreviations:

Max = Maximum
Min = Minimum
Ave = Average
Norm = Normal
DFN = Departure From Normal
Evap = Evaporation
M = Missing

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